

For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TREATING HAIR LOSS USING $C_{16}-C_{20}$ AROMATIC TETRAHYDRO PROSTAGLANDINS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION – RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Assistant Commissioner For Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2001, in which restriction was required to one of four groups:

Group I - Claims 1-21, drawn to a topical composition, Class 424/400+;

Group II - Claims 22-43, drawn to a method of treating hair loss, Class 424/70.1+;

Group III – Claim 43, drawn to a mascara composition, Class 424/70.7+;

Group IV - Claim 44, drawn to a method of darkening hair, Class 424/70.6+

Group V - Claim 44, drawn to a method of thickening hair, Class 424/70.1+

Applicants elect Group I without traverse.

In response to the Examiner's requirement for an election of species, Applicants elect the species disclosed as Example I on pages 36-37 of the specification, which corresponds to the formula in Claim 1 wherein:

 $R^1 = CO_2R^5$, wherein $R^5 =$ a monovalent hydrocarbon, $CH(CH_3)_2$;

 $R^2 = H$

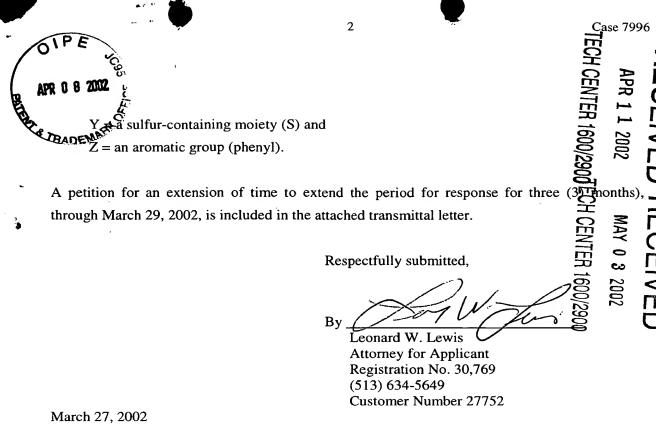
 $X = OR^8$, wherein $R^8 = H$

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 $R^* = H$ 04/09/2002 CNGUYEN 00000053 162480 09774551

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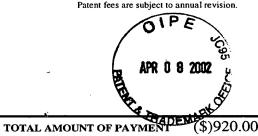
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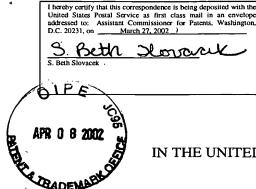
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Case Docket No. 7996

THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Inventor(s): deLong, et al.

Confirmation No. 3530

Serial No.: 09/774,558

Group Art Unit: 1616

Date Filed: January 31, 2001

Examiner: Barbara P. Badio

Title: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR TREATING HAIR LOSS USING C_{16} – C_{20}

AROMATIC TETRAHYDRO PROSTAGLANDINS

1. [x] No additional fee is known to be required.

- 2. [x] The Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2001 in the above-identified application to preserve pendency of said application. The processing fee under 37 CFR §1.17 has been determined as follows: \$920.00 for a three-month extension of time.
- 3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
 - a. [x] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.16.
 - b. [x] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.
- 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to make any additional copies of this sheet needed to accomplish the purposes provided for herein and to charge any fee for such copies to Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

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